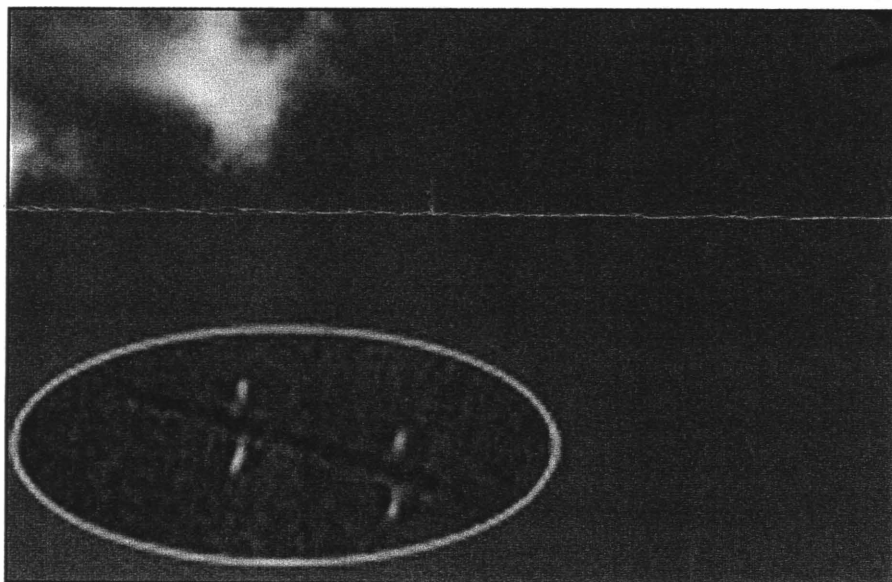


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## THE SAUCER SCENE

by Carol Hilberg

### THE ALBANY, NEW YORK VIDEO

Brandon Mowry, a news photographer for Albany's Fox TV affiliate, was at the Albany Airport taking routine background footage for the evening news late in the afternoon on October 20, 2002 when the image shown above showed up on his video footage.

The "rod" or missile-like image was only visible for less than a second, and was moving toward the left of the frame just as a landing airliner was moving toward the right side of the frame. The airliner can be seen in the upper right side corner of the still enhanced above.

Thinking at first that the image may have been a missile fired at the plane, the footage received much coverage over the entire Fox network. However, it became clear that it indeed wasn't a missile, and soon people were speculating that it might be a UFO that Mowry captured on video that day.

Rick and I both saw the footage several times on our local Fox affiliate, and Rick believes that the image is actually a distorted lens refraction of the passing airliner since it was moving in the opposite direction. However, it would be nice if someone experienced in video and photo analysis could examine the footage. Maybe then we will actually know if it's a "UFO" or an "IFO."

### CALLING ALL UFOs IN WISCONSIN!

The Attractor, a UFO detection system created by three Port Washington residents, is operating on the Lake Michigan bluff.

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Although the men plan to add some components to the device in the coming weeks, the Attractor is sending flashes of light into the sky from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. - the times when the majority of UFO sightings are reported.

"It's pretty exciting," said Mike Muckerheide, one of the inventors. "It looks good. It's dramatic at night with the strobes on."

He's spoken to several experts who have encouraged the men's efforts, Muckerheide said.

"They felt we were approaching it the right way," he said. "They say this sounds good."

The device, which began operating earlier in August, is in Muckerheide's backyard. It is fairly nondescript, consisting of three domed modules arranged in an 8-foot triangle.

The domes, which each measure about two feet in diameter and are 14 inches deep, contain a variety of equipment and lights which flash in sequences. The lights in each dome has a different sequence.

The pattern of lights has been copied from configurations reported on a number of UFO sightings, Muckerheide said.

Among the equipment that will ultimately be in the Attractor are a laser magnetometer to measure changes in magnetic fields, a range finder to measure how far away the object is and a barometer sphere. An ion chamber will determine radiation.

Solar panels will charge the circuits, and a shortwave scanner will monitor high and low frequencies, picking up beacon and satellite tones. An audio receiver and tape recorder, as well as a video recorder and an infrared viewer, will be in the module, which will be run by an on-board computer.

The device - which was created by Muckerheide, Dee Willden and Allen "Butch" Klopp - is designed to lure UFOs and record information about them.

The men said they do not necessarily believe in UFOs, they just want to discover whether they really exist.

Muckerheide and Willden said they've been intrigued by the topic of UFOs for some time, and their project was spurred by an increase in UFO sightings in eastern and central Wisconsin recently.

Wisconsin has the second-highest number of UFO sightings in the nation, trailing only New Mexico, Muckerheide noted.

The men have received many calls about the Attractor since their quest was first revealed in *Ozaukee Press* last month, Muckerheide said.

"Probably 98% of the calls are supportive and curious, people wanting to know anything we know about," he said. "People are interested by the concept."

The other 2% of the calls come from people upset about their project, many of whom cite religious beliefs.

"There seems to be a lot of fear of it," Muckerheide said. "Fear they (UFOs) are not friendly."

Interestingly, about 1% of the people the men have spoken to believe UFOs are actually devices created by our government being tested and operated in secret, he said.

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Most surprising are the number of calls the men have received from people interested in marketing the Attractor or buying one for their own use, Muckerheide said.

"This is right out of the blue. It's really nuts," he said. "We're not interested in that. We're just trying to enjoy it."

Muckerheide said anyone interested in seeing the device is welcome.

"They're welcome to look", he said.

One of the first nights the Attractor was running, a crowd gathered to check it out.

So far, the Attractor has not detected anything out of the ordinary, Muckerheide said. Source: Kristyn Halbig Ziehm, Port Washington, Wisc. *Ozaukee Press* August 22, 2002 via Richard Heiden.

## AROUND AND ABOUT THE SAUCER WORLD

by Rick Hilberg

### UPDATE ON THE TODD SEES CASE

The mysterious death of the Northumberland County, PA hunter took another strange twist since we broke the story in our last issue.

First off, the local newspaper, *The Daily Item*, reported that the FBI never got involved in the Sees case, and definitely did not remove the body for forensic examination, as had been reported initially.

Also, on October 4, 2002 Police Chief Gary Steffen told the news media that toxicology studies on the body indicated that Todd Sees died from a cocaine overdose. One is compelled to ask why Sees choose a hunting trip to engage in a personal cocaine orgy? I have a feeling that we haven't heard the last word on this case! We will keep you informed on additional details as they are received by us.

### CULT CLONING CLAIM MAY BE HOAX

The journalist who said he would oversee DNA testing to verify a company's claims it had produced a human clone said on January 6th that he had dropped his efforts for lack of cooperation and could not rule out the possibility of "an elaborate hoax."

Officials with Clonaid, the company that announced Dec. 27 the birth of the world's first clone, first promised DNA testing. Then backed off. Clonaid said the parents of the 7-pound baby girl have refused to allow it.

"The team of scientists has had no access to the alleged family and, therefore, cannot verify firsthand the claim that a human baby has been cloned," said Michael Guillen, a former ABC science editor who had offered to arrange the testing.

Clonaid was founded by the Raelian religious sect that believes space aliens created life on Earth, and Chief Executive Brigitte Boisselier acknowledges that outside DNA testing would be needed to make the claim credible.

In a statement, Guillen said he had assembled experts to do the work but suspended the effort on January 6th. "It's still entirely possible Clonaid's announcement is part of an elaborate hoax intended to bring publicity to the Raelian movement," he said. The free-lance journalist has said previously he had no connection to Clonaid. But he said in his statement that he has been interested in doing a documentary on human cloning that would involve Clonaid's work.

*The New York Times* reported January 5th that Guillen tried months

ago to sell exclusive coverage of Clonaid's first baby to the major broadcast networks.

Clonaid did not return phone calls. Source: The Cleveland Plain Dealer January 7, 2003.

#### **MYSTERY CIRCLE FOUND IN CHILE**

A circular imprint measuring 30 meters (100 feet) in diameter was found by military personnel from the La Concepcion Regiment based in Lonquimay, in Chile's Ninth Region, near the city of Angol.

The troops isolated an area consisting of pasture fields and trees in a radius of 1,200 meters (3,960 feet). The area was declared "Off-Limits" to both civilians and to the *Carabineros* (Chile's police).

In a telephone conversation from the city of Angol, ufologist and retired *Carabinero* Raul Gajardo said: "It was approximately two months ago (September 2002) that a mounted patrol from the *Carabinero* barracks at Luicura, a dependency of the 5th Sheriff's Office in Curacautan, established that in a location some three hours away from Angol there were a considerable number of military personnel belonging to the La Concepcion Regiment in Lonquimay.

"The reason for the show of force was the discovery of a large burnt patch of grass. The phenomenon extended for over a diameter of 30 meters with burned tree trunks and a substance similar to whitewash could be observed.

"At equidistant points of the circle there were four circles measuring 15 centimeters (6 inches) which were not scorched. They are like four legs at the center of the circle. What is strange is that the snow never got to cover the circles. The exact location of the site shall be kept confidential."

A strange fact was that the measurements made by the military showed that a Geiger counter had recorded a high level of radiation in the area.

Another interesting fact is that the *Carabineros* were denied entry to the site, while a member of the Army's upper echelon visited the area by helicopter. Source: Joseph Trainor, "UFO Roundup" Vol 7 No 48 via Carol Hilberg.

#### **DAYLIGHT UFO SEEN IN GEORGIA**

On Friday, December 20, 2002, at 11 a.m., Linda G. was outdoors on a break and walking along when she spotted a UFO over a vacant parking lot off North Point Parkway in Alpharetta, Georgia.

"While I was alone and walking on my break at work, I saw a very large white glowing object in the sky about the size of a small airplane but completely round," Linda reported. "It seemed to drift like a very large balloon. I thought maybe it was a blimp, but it was completely white and radiated light.

"It came to hover above me, then continued to go to the right of me and then began to rise in the sky and went behind some clouds, leaving just a glowing light, until it disappeared. It moved as if it was gliding, picking up speed as it moved past me.

"It sort of zeroed in on me. I felt as if there was an entity in the craft, or someone was looking at me the same way I was looking at it. After being noticed, it then decided to drift away." Source: Joseph Trainor, "UFO Roundup" Vol 8 No 1 via Carol Hilberg.

#### **BRITISH COLUMBIA UFO FLAP CONTINUES**

According to Canadian ufologist Brian Vike, on Friday, December 27, 2002, four men were working around the logging camp just across Babine Lake from Granisle, B.C. when one of the workers gave out a loud cry,

telling the others to look. Half a kilometer to the north, they all witnessed a bright, white-yellowish light coming from behind the trees. At that point, all that was visible was a brightness showing above the trees.

To their shock, a large, glowing, golden-orange, disk-shaped object, with a large halo of white around the craft, rose up in the distance and stopped and hovered.

Vike was told they observed the object for approximately 10 seconds, at the most, which the fellow said "seemed like a lifetime."

As the object moved away from their location, heading roughly to the north, they lost sight of the craft quickly. But after losing sight of the object itself, they still could see the bright light (halo) for another five minutes. The light moved faster and disappeared.

Vike said the old Bell copper mine at Babine Lake was the site of a UFO sighting on October 22, 2002. Also, he reported that he has investigated 120 UFO cases in northern British Columbia during 2002.

Elsewhere in the province, on Friday, January 3, 2003, Darcy C. spotted a UFO in Delta, B.C. She reported: "The UFO approached from the north. It looked like a big tube moving across the sky. A silver cylinder with two windows that were coloured black. I could hear sounds like a loud beeping noise.

"The UFO passed overhead about 20 meters (66 feet) up and was moving at the speed of a jet," she added. Source: Joseph Trainor, "UFO Roundup" Vol 8 No 2 via Carol Hilberg.

#### **TWO SIGHT ORANGE-RED OBJECT IN OKLAHOMA**

On Sunday, December 29, 2002, at 1:40 a.m., D.J. Gillett and a companion were on some land close to Highway 81, about a mile out of Powers, Okla., which is 25 miles west of Oklahoma City. "At 1:40 a.m., we had just turned onto 81 facing north and a bright orange-red object appeared in the sky. We had been out driving and watching for tornadoes, and the appearance of the object was quite evident in the overcast sky.

"I should stress that the object simply appeared. It did not drift in from the horizon or zoom into sight. It simply appeared instantly in the sky, but this is only my perception.

"Well, the object initially appeared as a point of light and gradually grew in intensity for 40 to 50 seconds until it was twice as bright as the brightest star in the sky. At this point, it suddenly 'separated' into two other lights.

"When the object separated, it produced a brilliant burst of orange-red light with a touch of white. But this could be a simple misperception on my part as we were having difficulty viewing it properly due to clouds. The objects then took off at an incredible speed and vanished off towards the south on parallel courses."

He described the two objects as "orange-red in color, spherical, no reflective field. No evidence of light scatter. The new objects remained uniform, spherical and the same color but duller in appearance." Source: Joseph Trainor, "UFO Roundup" Vol 8 No 2 via Carol Hilberg.

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## **LARGE "SOMETHING" ELUDES FIGHTER JETS OVER D.C.**

Kenny Young reports that a 38-year-old college-educated homemaker in Washington, D.C. reported a suspected UFO flew over her neighborhood at 10:50 a.m. on Monday, December 16, 2002. The witness reports she was inside her home, located at the northeast corner of Washington, D.C., when she heard two fighter jets. Looking to the south, she was able to discern an unusual object that was as large as a thumbnail at arm's length, or comparable to the size of a full moon. She had lived on Air Force bases for 9 years and knew jet engine sounds, and after hearing the aircraft commotion she thought: "Oh my gosh, are they escorting someone out of the airspace?" The object, she said, was bright silver and reflected the sun. The sky was clear with bright blue skies.

The UFO flew at a fast speed and had a "bouncing" motion, dipping up and down. The witness claims that the object was "way bigger" than an airplane and that it flew from the north at a speed comparable to that of a quickly moving fighter jet. She said the duration of the sighting was around five seconds and the object was estimated to have occupied airspace within 3 miles of her vantage point near the Lincoln Memorial. It was flying at an elevation "a bit higher than a helicopter would fly." The object was "oval-shaped" and there was no sound nor any smoke. The "bouncing" flight conduct was most noticeable, she said, and likened it to the pulse of a heart monitor. She said the object was clearly of a "silverish metal" composition and she could distinctly observe the sun reflecting off of it. The bottom half of the object was darker and possibly due to shadow. She could discern no structural detail and could not view any apparent rotation of the object and it departed from her view as it traveled over a rooftop. Its shape was similar to the top end of speed-stick deodorant. The witness believes that if the jets were looking for the UFO, they had "just missed it," Source: George Filer, "Filer's Files" # 1 - 2003 via Carol Hilberg.

## **"TRIANGULAR CONE" SPOTTED IN CHILHOWIE, VIRGINIA**

Three witnesses reported seeing a yellow, four-sided triangular cone on November 20, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. It was about ten feet at the base, tapering to a point at the top and was approximately 30 feet in height. There was what appeared to be some sort of instrument group at the base. The object was heading SE at approximately 15 mph, but did not appear to be a balloon. It maintained constant altitude and speed after passing at a distance of about 150 feet, and altitude of 75 feet. The location was a ridge top at 2600 feet in the mountains on a bright sunny day with gusty winds from the west. The object traveled four miles and suddenly went down into the woodlands. It was not noticeably affected by the wind changes. Source: George Filer, "Filer's Files" # 1 - 2003 via Carol Hilberg.

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